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Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the Abstract filed with the original application with the Substitute Abstract filed herewith. No new matter is added.

ABSTRACT

A cooking chamber assembly for a microwave oven is provided which improves air tightness in the cooking chamber, and reduces assembly complexity, time, and cost. A tray which essentially forms a bottom surface of a cooking chamber of the microwave oven is surrounded by a unitary gasket. A groove formed in an inner edge of the unitary gasket is designed to receive an outer edge of the tray, and a lip formed on an outer edge of the unitary gasket is designed to provide an air tight seal with an inner surface of a case of the cooking chamber. An air duct which guides circulating air is attached to an inner portion of the case with a series of hooks, allowing the air duct to be attached without separate fastening members such as screws or bolts, thus further reducing manufacturing time and cost.